

By: Representative Houston of the 170<sup>th</sup>

Dedicating certain portions of the state highway system; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, Sheriff D. J. Connell served Cook County as the sheriff for many years; and

WHEREAS, due to his hard work and dedication, the people of Cook County live in a safe, secure environment; and

WHEREAS, it is only fitting to recognize his years of service to Cook County and the State of Georgia.

WHEREAS, the veterans of service in the United States military have given of their time, energy, and sometimes their lives to secure the blessings of freedom for all the citizens of this great country; and

WHEREAS, it is only fitting that a lasting tribute to memorialize the unselfish patriotism of these special men and women should be created to perpetuate the memory of their great sacrifices to protect our freedom.

**PART III**

WHEREAS, Fred DeLoach, Jr., was born on May 17, 1929, in Valdosta, Georgia, to Fred DeLoach, Sr., and Cobbie Pedrick DeLoach; and

WHEREAS, he attended Central Grammar, Valdosta Junior High, and Valdosta High School and graduated from Gordon Military High School in 1944; and

WHEREAS, he continued his education at the University of Georgia and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1947; and

WHEREAS, Fred DeLoach, Jr., served as the chairman of the group that brought Gold Kist to Lowndes County; and

WHEREAS, he owned and operated DeLoach Hardware from 1956 to 1990 and also did some farming; and

WHEREAS, he served as chairman of the Lowndes County Board of Commissioners from 1976 to 1992, and during this time, he also served as president of the Association County Commissioners of Georgia, chairman of the Board of Community Affairs, and as a member of Governor Joe Frank Harris's Growth Strategies Commission; and

WHEREAS, he is a member of the First Baptist Church, the Valdosta Country Club, the Elks Club, and the Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, it is only fitting that Fred DeLoach, Jr., be honored for his many contributions to his state and community by having a road dedicated in his honor.

**PART IV**

WHEREAS, Charles Ray King was born in Waycross, Georgia, on March 27, 1949, the only son of Henry King, Jr., and Rosa Lee Turner King, and was a 1967 graduate of Ware County High School; and

WHEREAS, he lived in the Dixie Union area of Ware County where he worked on his father's farm; and

1 WHEREAS, he was drafted in 1969 and was sent to serve in Vietnam in 1970 where, on  
2 April 26, 1970, he was killed in action; and

3 WHEREAS, as a result of his gallantry and devotion to duty, he received the Bronze Star  
4 with an oak leaf cluster along with the Purple Heart, the Good Conduct Medal, the Combat  
5 Infantryman Badge, the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, and  
6 the Vietnam Campaign Medal; and

7 WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted his time, talents, and energy toward  
8 the betterment of his community, state, and nation; and

9 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience  
10 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of his  
11 nation earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

12 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
13 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and it is only fitting and proper that the  
14 bridge over the Satilla River on State Route 4/U. S. Route 1 in Ware County should be  
15 named in his honor.

16 **PART V**

17 WHEREAS, Ottis L. Stonecypher, Sr., was born on February 8, 1930, at a private residence  
18 in Habersham County; he was the second of four children in his family; and

19 WHEREAS, he was raised on a farm in the Clarkesville-Mount Airy area and attended the  
20 Hills Switch School until he began his working life; and

21 WHEREAS, he had been married to Treelis Ward Stonecypher for almost 30 years at the  
22 time of his death and he had three children, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren;  
23 and

24 WHEREAS, he was killed in an automobile accident on May 13, 2002, while returning from  
25 a cattle sale; and

26 WHEREAS, Stonecypher's professional life was more than full, and he was known as many  
27 things to many people; he was a businessman, a farmer, a mentor, an advisor, a leader, a  
28 family man, and a friend; and

1 WHEREAS, at one point, he owned seven different Tastee-Freeze franchises all over  
2 Northeast Georgia; eventually he withdrew from the franchises and maintained two  
3 restaurants on his own, named Stoney's Family Restaurant, located in Clarkesville and  
4 Cleveland, Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, Stoney was also an avid cattle farmer, averaging between 500 and 600 head of  
6 cattle at any given time, and particularly enjoyed this aspect of his life, joining several boards  
7 and committees related to farming; he was a board member with North Georgia Cattlemen's  
8 Association as well as the state-wide Georgia Cattlemen's Association, and he was on the  
9 Georgia Beef Board; and

10 WHEREAS, he won many awards during his life and after his death; the livestock pavilion  
11 at the Habersham County Fairgrounds was renamed and dedicated to Ottis Stonecypher, Sr.,  
12 for his lifelong commitment to farming and raising cattle; the Habersham County Farm  
13 Bureau building was renamed Ottis Stonecypher, Sr. Building, and they awarded him the  
14 Outstanding Dedication and Leadership Award; the Georgia Farm Bureau honored  
15 Stonecypher with the Lifelong Commitment Award; he also received the Georgia and  
16 Habersham County Farm Bureau Community Leader Award and the Upper Chattahoochee  
17 Farm Family of the Year Award; and

18 WHEREAS, he was always very community-minded, staying involved in most all aspects  
19 of the betterment of Habersham County life; he was chairman of the board at Habersham  
20 County Medical Center, president of Habersham County Farm Bureau, and sat on its board;  
21 and he was also a board member of Georgia Farm Bureau and Community Bank and Trust;  
22 and

23 WHEREAS, Stonecypher was in the Charter Class of Leadership Habersham and was a  
24 member of the Mountaineer Shrine Club and Yaarab Temple; he was involved in many  
25 aspects of North Georgia community life and was well respected in all he did; and

26 WHEREAS, he was a Korean War Veteran and is buried in the VFW Cemetery in Demorest,  
27 Georgia; and

28 WHEREAS, everyone Stonecypher knew, and those who knew him, respected and admired  
29 him as a determined, hard worker and a self-made man; a person would be hard-pressed to  
30 find someone that did not like Stoney, as he would help anyone in any way he could,  
31 throughout his life; his legacy is one of dedication and hard work, compassion and

1 generosity; he will be remembered as one of Northeast Georgia's finest citizens, and is  
2 greatly missed.

3 **PART VI**

4 WHEREAS, Sergeant Michael C. Hardegree was recently killed in a tragic accident while  
5 serving his country in Baghdad, Iraq; and

6 WHEREAS, Michael was a native of Villa Rica, Georgia, where he grew up loving music  
7 and golf and graduated from Villa Rica High School in 2004; and

8 WHEREAS, after graduation, he carried on a family tradition of military service by  
9 becoming an army paratrooper, serving with valor and distinction during two tours of duty  
10 in Iraq; and

11 WHEREAS, this noble young soldier served with selfless patriotism and brought great honor  
12 to himself, his family, and his community; and

13 WHEREAS, Sergeant Hardegree is survived by his parents, Stan and Cindy Hardegree of  
14 Villa Rica, and his sister, Beth Shaw of Fort Monroe, Virginia; and

15 WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pay tribute to this brave warrior.

16 **PART VII**

17 WHEREAS, Edwin Hamilton was a long-time resident of Emerson, Georgia; and

18 WHEREAS, he served his country in the Navy during Word War II; and

19 WHEREAS, he managed the Colonial Food Store in Cartersville, Georgia, for many years;  
20 and

21 WHEREAS, he cooperated in allowing the acquisition of his homeplace for the construction  
22 of this road and bridge, even though he was displaced at a time in his life when relocating  
23 was very difficult for him and his wife; and

24 WHEREAS, Edwin Hamilton passed away in 2007 at the age of 86.

**PART VIII**

WHEREAS, Reverend George W. Nealy was born on October 15, 1929, and died on December 21, 2007; and

WHEREAS, he spent many years of his life fighting for civil rights and, most notably for Webster County, Georgia, was involved in bringing about legal action that resulted in the formation of a multimember county commission in 1990 that guaranteed African American representation on the governing body of the county; and

WHEREAS, without Reverend Nealy's invaluable contributions, Webster County would not have achieved the level of interracial cooperation in governmental affairs that exists today.

**PART IX**

WHEREAS, Cliff Shannon was tragically killed in a motorcycle accident on September 17, 2004; and

WHEREAS, Cliff, who was born on December 1, 1956, served for nearly 30 years as a dedicated member of the Preston/Webster County Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, his contribution and service to his community will always be remembered and his death has left a void that is yet to be filled.

**PART X**

WHEREAS, Glenn E. Taylor was born in Paulding County in 1922 and was raised within a 60 mile radius of his birthplace; and

WHEREAS, prior to his passing on May 1, 2006, he was a prominent citizen of Bartow County and the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, he was a well respected and successful businessman, having established several enterprises, including the Bankhead Welding Service, Bankhead Manufacturing Group, Inc., and Bankhead Railway Services, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Glenn E. Taylor was also well known for his support of many charitable and benevolent organizations and he often opened his home and farm to host a variety of charitable and worthwhile events, such as the Cartersville-Bartow County annual picnic and the Euharlee Farmers Barbeque; and

1 WHEREAS, he also set an example of unselfish public service while serving as past  
2 chairman and board member for the Georgia Department of Natural Resources for 23 years;  
3 and

4 WHEREAS, he had a deep love and respect for the land he farmed along SR 113 in Bartow  
5 County, and many prominent Georgians attended gatherings on his farm; and

6 WHEREAS, his most notable characteristic was his gentle nature and the kindness that he  
7 displayed in all aspects of his life; it can truly be said that to have known him was to have  
8 known a Southern Christian gentleman; and

9 WHEREAS, it is only fitting that a road be dedicated as a lasting monument to his  
10 contributions to the people of Bartow County and the State of Georgia.

11 **PART XI**

12 WHEREAS, Trey Bartlett was a member in the United States Armed Forces, and he was  
13 serving his country in Iraq on July 15, 2007, when he lost his life at the young age of 25; and

14 WHEREAS, Trey returned to military duty in Iraq after coming home at the time of his  
15 father's death; out of his dedication to serve our great country during this time of conflict,  
16 he chose to return to duty at a time when he could have been honorably discharged, but he  
17 would not have it any other way; and

18 WHEREAS, Benjamin Blake Bartlett, Sr., Trey's father, passed away on April 13, 2007, at  
19 the age of 63; and

20 WHEREAS, Anna Ruth Lee Bartlett (Ann), Trey's mother, passed away on May 13, 1991,  
21 at the age of 47, when Trey was only nine years old; and

22 WHEREAS, Trey's only sibling, his sister, Lura Lee Bartlett, passed away on  
23 September 23, 1997, at the age of 31; and

24 WHEREAS, prior to enlisting in the military, Trey resided in Talbot County, Georgia, with  
25 his father on the family homestead that is located on SR 41 between Woodland and  
26 Manchester, Georgia; and

1 WHEREAS, it is only fitting that this young soldier have a road dedicated in his honor to  
2 serve as a lasting tribute of his service to his state and his country.

3 **PART XII**

4 WHEREAS, Leonard R. "Nookie" Meadows was born December 8, 1926, in Meriwether  
5 County, Georgia; he was the son of James Alvin and Mozelle Wise Meadows; and

6 WHEREAS, he was a lifelong resident of Manchester, Georgia, and retired after a successful  
7 career as the president of the Meadows Companies, which included Meadows Motors, Inc.,  
8 Meadows Ford, Inc., Meadows Insurance Agency, Smith-Steele Meadows Funeral Home,  
9 and Meadows Farms; and

10 WHEREAS, for most of his life, Nookie took an active interest in his community and its  
11 citizens, relentlessly volunteering his time and energy so that others might experience a better  
12 quality of life, and he built a viable business network that provided local employment and  
13 stimulated economic growth that benefited the lives of many people throughout the  
14 community and state; and

15 WHEREAS, he served as Representative of House District 91 from 1987 until 1992; and

16 WHEREAS, he was a member of the National Automobile Dealers Association, the Georgia  
17 State University Foundation Fund, and the Columbus Bank and Trust Advisory Board; a past  
18 president of the Manchester Industrial Corporation; a member of the Meriwether County  
19 Chamber of Commerce; a past president of the Kiwanis Club, where he held perfect  
20 attendance for 43 years; a member of the committee to save the Georgia Warm Springs  
21 Foundation, now the RWSIR; chairman and chairman emeritus of the Roosevelt Warm  
22 Springs Rehabilitation Fund from 1986 to 1992; a past president of the Roosevelt Warm  
23 Springs Development Fund; a past president of the Manchester Jaycees; a member of the  
24 Stephens Lodge #586 of the Free and Accepted Masons, the AL Sihah Shrine Temple, the  
25 Elks Lodge, the Moose Lodge, the American Legion, and the Pontiac Masters; a recipient  
26 of the Chevrolet Supremacy for over 22 years, the Honorary State Trooper award, the Flying  
27 Colonel award, the Manchester Chamber of Commerce Community Service Award, and the  
28 James T. Evans Rotary Award for Community Service; a member of the Manchester School  
29 Board, the Advisory Board of the Bank of Upson, and the Georgia Baptist Meriwether  
30 Hospital and Nursing Home Board; and he spearheaded the relocation of Horizon Medical  
31 to Manchester; and



1 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper to celebrate the life of this Georgian and to  
2 recognize his great contributions to this state and to his community by dedicating the  
3 Leonard R. "Nookie" Meadows Memorial Highway in his memory.

4 **PART XIII**

5 WHEREAS, Franklin Lee Dixon passed away on September 14, 2007; and

6 WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Rabun County Department of Education to honor Franklin  
7 Lee Dixon for his distinguished service to the citizens of Clayton and Rabun County; and

8 WHEREAS, Franklin Lee Dixon was born in Fannin County, Georgia, and was the son of  
9 the late Bruce Burrell Dixon and Laura Freeman Dixon; and

10 WHEREAS, Franklin Lee Dixon is survived by his wife, Joyce Ann Simmons Dixon; a son,  
11 Adam Dixon, and his wife, Jodi, of Clayton, Georgia; and three daughters, Dawn Shaw and  
12 her husband, Lee, of Flowery Branch, Georgia, Tara York and her husband, Bryne, of Tiger,  
13 Georgia, and Chantel Thompson and her husband, Robin, of Clayton, Georgia; and

14 WHEREAS, also surviving is one brother, Benjamin Bruce Dixon, of Dawsonville, Georgia,  
15 and ten grandchildren, Daniel C. Ramey, Jared Shaw, Connor Shaw, Anna Kate Shaw,  
16 O'Neil York, MacKenzie York, Keldon Dixon, Clayton Hunter Dixon, Abby Thompson, and  
17 Marley Thompson; and

18 WHEREAS, Franklin Lee Dixon was the Transportation Director for the Rabun County  
19 School System, and for 30 years, he drove Rabun County students to school and for many  
20 extracurricular activities and was active in the Athletic Booster Club where he filmed  
21 football games for many years, and he always took pride in all of the children of Rabun  
22 County, Georgia; and

23 WHEREAS, Franklin Lee Dixon took a special interest in caring for and assisting children  
24 with learning disabilities and never failed to conscientiously accept every driving assignment  
25 requested of him; and

26 WHEREAS, he was a member of Flat Creek Baptist Church, a Master Mason and member  
27 of Blue Mountain Lodge #38, and a veteran of the United States Army Reserve; and

1 WHEREAS, it is only right that this man's fruitful life be celebrated as he makes his home  
2 in heaven.

3 **PART XIV**

4 WHEREAS, Michael R. Fortson was a native son of Rabun County who graduated from  
5 Rabun County High School in 1983 and immediately went to work for the City of Clayton  
6 Police Department; and

7 WHEREAS, he later was accepted into the Georgia State Patrol where he served with  
8 distinction from 1986 until his untimely death on July 19, 2007; and

9 WHEREAS, Michael R. Fortson was a great asset to the community, a devoted husband and  
10 father, a caring brother, and a loving son to his parents, Willie and Hattie; and

11 WHEREAS, it is the desire of Rabun County to honor Michael R. Fortson for his  
12 distinguished service to the citizens of Clayton, Rabun County, and the State of Georgia.

13 **PART XV**

14 WHEREAS, William "Billy" Harvey Jewell, Sr., was born on July 30, 1930, to William  
15 Riley Jewell and Johnnie Reva Newburn and spent the majority of his life living in  
16 Willacoochee, Georgia; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Jewell served in the United States Army from 1950 to 1952 and was a  
18 decorated war veteran of the Korean War having been awarded two Bronze Stars, the Korean  
19 Service Medal, and the Infantryman's Badge for his patriotism and courage; and

20 WHEREAS, during the early 1970's, Mr. Jewell became a police officer in Willacoochee and  
21 ultimately not only became Willacoochee's police chief, but also chief of police in Pearson,  
22 Georgia; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. Jewell was well respected and loved in his community and dedicated his  
24 life to ensuring that all in his community were safe; and while the number of his selfless  
25 deeds are countless, his heroism in saving the life of a child while camping in particularity  
26 shall always be remembered; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Jewell lived his life as an example to all and taught many lessons in life,  
2 not only to his family, but to all in his community who had the pleasure of knowing him; he  
3 was a man of integrity and love that will not soon be forgotten.

4 **PART XVI**

5 WHEREAS, the veterans of service in the United States military have given of their time,  
6 energy, and sometimes their lives to secure the blessings of freedom for all the citizens of  
7 this great country; and

8 WHEREAS, the sacrifices these great men and women have made to protect our nation  
9 should never be taken for granted or allowed to fade into distant memory; and

10 WHEREAS, it is only fitting that a lasting tribute to memorialize the unselfish patriotism of  
11 these special men and women should be created to perpetuate the memory of their great  
12 sacrifices to protect our freedom.

13 **PART XVII**

14 WHEREAS, Carl Kelly began his military career by joining the Jackson National Guard,  
15 then called the Jackson Rifles, while he was still in his teens; and

16 WHEREAS, when WWII started, the Jackson National Guard was called upon to train for  
17 the war in Europe and Carl Kelly was promoted to 1st Sergeant before he left for Ireland to  
18 wait for the invasion at Normandy; and

19 WHEREAS, in St-Lo, France, he was wounded in action and awarded the first of his two  
20 bronze stars for gallantry and a Purple Heart; and

21 WHEREAS, when the Korean Conflict began, Sgt. Kelly was immediately sent to Korea  
22 where he was awarded a battlefield commission to 2nd Lieutenant after distinguishing  
23 himself as a leader of men; and

24 WHEREAS, after recuperating from a wound, he returned to battle and soon after was  
25 involved in a battle to save an artillery unit that had been ambushed; Lt. Kelly organized the  
26 artillerymen into fighting groups and with complete disregard for his safety, led attack after  
27 attack on the enemy forces; and

1 WHEREAS, his conspicuous actions served to center the enemy fire on himself, and finally  
2 he was struck by enemy fire and fell mortally wounded; and

3 WHEREAS, before he died he told a friend to tell his wife and children that he loved them  
4 very much and would see them in Heaven someday; and

5 WHEREAS, Lt. Kelly was in the military service for 11 years and received three Purple  
6 Hearts, three Bronze Stars, and a Silver Star, as well as many other service medals.

7 **PART XVIII**

8 WHEREAS, Christmas Moultrie was born a slave on Mulberry Grove Plantation on  
9 Christmas Day, 1863; and

10 WHEREAS, Christmas Moultrie was the last child born into slavery on Mulberry Grove  
11 Plantation; and

12 WHEREAS, Christmas Moultrie lived most of his life on the Plantation as a renowned  
13 Savannah River market hunter; and

14 WHEREAS, Christmas Moultrie's expertise as a market hunter is documented in a book  
15 entitled *Ward Allen, Savannah River Market Hunter* by John Eugene Cay, Jr., copyright  
16 1958; and

17 WHEREAS, Mulberry Grove Plantation was where President George Washington stayed  
18 during his only visits to Georgia in the 1790's as the guest of Catherine Greene, the widow  
19 of the Revolutionary War hero, General Nathaniel Greene; and

20 WHEREAS, Christmas Moultrie's grave is located outside Port Wentworth, Georgia, in  
21 historic Cherokee Hill Cemetery; and

22 WHEREAS, it is only fitting that the life of Christmas Moultrie be memorialized by  
23 dedicating an interchange in his honor.

24 **PART XIX**

25 WHEREAS, portions of U.S. Highways 129, 78, and 278 and State Routes 47, 77, and 22  
26 pass through historically significant regions of this state, especially with regard to Georgians  
27 who were leaders in the American Civil War; and

1 WHEREAS, recognizing and promoting the historical significance of this region could  
2 promote economic development through tourism.

3 **PART XX**

4 WHEREAS, during the summer of 1864, six hundred Federal officers, prisoners of war, were  
5 placed in a residential area of Charleston, South Carolina, which was being shelled by  
6 Federal guns, night and day, since August of 1863; and

7 WHEREAS, in retaliation for erroneously alleged abuse of these Federal prisoners by  
8 Confederate authorities, on August 25, 1864, six hundred Confederate prisoners of war were  
9 selected from those confined at Fort Delaware to be used as human targets; and

10 WHEREAS, the six hundred Confederate prisoners were placed in a pine-wood stockade  
11 immediately in front of a military target, Battery Wagner, occupied by Federal artillery; and

12 WHEREAS, after 45 days of exposure to Confederate fire, there being no casualties, the  
13 Federal authorities decided to move the Confederates to Fort Pulaski in Georgia; and

14 WHEREAS, while at Fort Pulaski, the remnant of the six hundred who had been determined  
15 to be physically able to be moved were fed wormy corn meal, pickles, and limited amounts  
16 of water. The men were intentionally starved. Clothing and blankets were withheld as well  
17 as firewood for warmth. It was one of the coldest winters in Georgia in many years; and

18 WHEREAS, the Confederates were consistently promised "fair" treatment if they would sign  
19 the oath of allegiance to the United States. These men had sworn an oath of allegiance to the  
20 Confederate States of America, their country, and the war was still being waged. They  
21 endured abuse that is hard to imagine; and

22 WHEREAS, upon completion of the War Between the States and the release of what was left  
23 of the six hundred by July 24, 1865, their story was being told by survivors and witnesses.  
24 They became known as "The Immortal Six Hundred" for their courage, strength, and fidelity  
25 to their country in the face of brutal retaliation for an alleged abuse that did not exist; and

26 WHEREAS, in 1876, the *Southern Historical Society Papers* contained the following  
27 statement by Captain George W. Nelson of the Hanover Artillery of Virginia in honor of The  
28 Immortal Six Hundred:

1 "The consequence of all this was that the prisoners died like sheep. Whatever the  
2 immediate cause of their death, that cause was induced by starvation, and over the  
3 dead bodies of nine-tenths of those brave, true men there can be given but one true  
4 verdict: 'Death by starvation.'"

5 **PART XXI**

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
7 GEORGIA that the portion of SR 41 in Cook County from mile marker 0 to mile marker 10  
8 is dedicated as the Sheriff D. J. Connell Memorial Highway.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 7 in Lowndes County and the City of  
10 Valdosta which was formerly known as Inner Perimeter Road and which runs from the  
11 intersection of said route with North Valdosta Road, thence generally eastward, thence  
12 generally southward, and thence generally southwestward to the intersection of said route  
13 with Madison Highway is dedicated as Veterans Memorial Parkway.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 94 from Perimeter Road in Lowndes  
15 County, Georgia, to the Echols County line is dedicated as the Fred DeLoach, Jr. Highway.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the bridge over the Satilla River on State Route 4/U. S.  
17 Route 1 in Ware County is dedicated as the Charles Ray King Memorial Bridge.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a portion of SR 197 from Mt. Airy to its intersection  
19 with SR 17, in Habersham County, be dedicated as the Ottis L. Stonecypher, Sr. Memorial  
20 Highway.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 101 from the Carroll-Paulding County  
22 line to the intersection with Industrial Boulevard, in Carroll County, Georgia, be dedicated  
23 as the Sergeant Michael C. Hardegree Memorial Highway.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body dedicate the new bridge on  
25 SR 296 at SR 113, in Bartow County, as the Edwin Price Hamilton Memorial Bridge.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the bridge on SR 41 over Kinchafoonee Creek, in  
27 Webster County, be dedicated as the Reverend George W. Nealy Memorial Bridge in his  
28 honor.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body dedicate the bridge on SR 153  
2 over Lanahassee Creek, in Webster County, as the Cliff Shannon Memorial Bridge in honor  
3 of his service to his community.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 113 from the Polk County line to Red  
5 Top Mountain Road at I-75, in Bartow County, be named the Glenn E. Taylor Memorial  
6 Parkway.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 41 from the northern city limits of  
8 Woodland, Georgia, to the southern city limits of Manchester, Georgia, in Talbot County be  
9 dedicated as the SFC Benjamin "Trey" Blake Bartlett Jr. Memorial Highway.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 85 East between Manchester and  
11 Woodbury in Meriwether County, Georgia, be dedicated as the Leonard R. "Nookie"  
12 Meadows Memorial Highway.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the bridge on US 441 near Rabun County High School  
14 in Rabun County be dedicated as the Lee Dixon Memorial Bridge in memory of his service  
15 to the people of Rabun County and the State of Georgia.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 15/US 441 within the Clayton City  
17 limits in Rabun County be dedicated as the Trooper Michael R. Fortson Memorial Highway.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the westbound lane of the easternmost bridge crossing  
19 the Alapaha River on Highway 82 in Atkinson County be dedicated as the Corporal William  
20 "Billy" Harvey Jewell, Sr. Bridge in his honor.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 243 between SR 57 at the  
22 Twiggs-Wilkinson County line and SR 24 in Baldwin County be dedicated as the Veterans  
23 Memorial Highway.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 16 East from the railroad tracks to the  
25 Jackson city limits, in Butts County, is dedicated as the Lt. Carl Kelly Memorial Highway.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body honor the life of Christmas  
27 Moultrie by dedicating the entire north and south interchange at I-95 and SR 21 in Port  
28 Wentworth, Georgia, as the Christmas Moultrie Interchange.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that U.S. 129 from Gainesville to Jefferson to Athens; U.S.  
2 78 from Athens to Lexington to Washington; SR 47 from Washington to Crawfordville; SR  
3 77 from Lexington to Union Point; U.S. 278 from Union Point to Crawfordville; and SR 22  
4 from Lexington to Philomath to Crawfordville to Sparta to Milledgeville are dedicated as the  
5 Civil War Heartland Leaders Trail.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
7 directed to erect and maintain 28 signs identifying the Civil War Heartland Leaders Trail,  
8 dispersed throughout the course of the trail, with not less than two signs in each county  
9 through which the trail or a portion thereof passes.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of the road at the intersection of US 80 and  
11 County Road 228 (Fort Pulaski Road) for one-half mile in each direction on US 80 be  
12 dedicated as The Immortal Six Hundred Memorial Highway.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
14 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the road facilities named in this  
15 resolution.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
17 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Department of  
18 Transportation, to the family of Sheriff D. J. Connell, to Fred DeLoach, Jr., to the family of  
19 Charles Ray King, to the family of Ottis L. Stonecypher, Sr., to the family of Sergeant  
20 Michael C. Hardegree, to the family of Edwin Price Hamilton, to the family of Reverend  
21 George W. Nealy, to the family of Cliff Shannon, to the family of Glenn E. Taylor, to the  
22 family of Benjamin Blake Bartlett, Jr., to the family of Leonard R. "Nookie" Meadows, to  
23 the family of Lee Dixon, to Kathleen Fortson, to Willie and Hattie Fortson, to the family of  
24 Mr. William "Billy" Harvey Jewell, Sr., to the Boards of Commissioners of Wilkinson and  
25 Baldwin counties, to the family of Lt. Carl Kelly, and to the North Port Wentworth Citizens  
26 Council.